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SUBJ: VISIT OF PRC DELEGATION

1. A JUNE 8-15 VISIT BY A HIGH-LEVEL PRC DELEGATION HEADED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN CHI PENG-FEI HAS BEEN ACCORDED CLOSE ATTENTION BY GOV LEADERS. IN ADDITION TO THE TRADITIONAL BANQUETS AND COCKTAILS, THE CHINESE DIPLOMAT AND HIS ENTOURAGE WERE GIVEN TOURS OF THE EASTERN GUAYANA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMPLEX AND THE WESTERN PETROLEUM REGION THE BREADTH OF VENEZUELA IN THE COURSE OF A WEEK.

2. PART OF THE DELEGATION, A TEAM OF OIL EXPERTS, REMAINED TO INVESTIGATE VENEZUELA'S MAIN PETROLEUM FIELDS, IN PARTICULAR THOSE PRODUCING HEAVY CRUDE. THE PRC, CHI PENG-FEI NOTED, IS BARELY SELF-SUFFICIENT IN OIL, PRODUCING 100 MILLION TONS YEARLY. FUTURE PLANS CALL FOR AN OUTPUT OF 150 MILLION TONS YEARLY BY 1980. THE PRC, HE STATED, SUPPORTED OPEC OIL POLICY AND HE CHARACTERIZED THE USE OF PETROLEUM AS A POLITICAL WEAPON, A "PIONEERING ENTERPRISE."

3. SPEAKING OF TAIWAN, THE CHINESE LEADER SAID THE ISLAND BELONGED TO THE MAINLAND, BUT FOR THE PRESENT NO ACTIONS WERE CONTEMPLATED FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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ITS REINTEGRATION. THERE WERE, HE SUGGESTED, "LIMITS TO PATIENCE," HOWEVER AND WHEN THAT RAN OUT THE US WOULD BE "EXPELLED." TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS, THE US MUST WITHDRAW FROM TAIWAN, "ANNUL THE TREATY WITH THE SHAN GANG, AND BREAK DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THAT GANG."

4. THE ACTIVITIES OF THE USSR IN AFRICA WERE NOT LIMITED TO

OBTAINING RAW MATERIALS, HE SAID. IN TRYING TO COMPETE WITH THE US FOR CONTROL OF EUROPE, THE SOVIETS HAD STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES IN MIND. "THE SOVIET UNION NEEDS TO CONTROL EUROPE'S FLANKS WHICH ARE THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA. ONLY BY CONTROLLING THOSE TWO FRONTS CAN IT ISOLATE EUROPE AND CONTROL IT."

5. CHI PENG-FEI CALLED THE PANAMA CANAL SETTLEMENT A VICTORY FOR THE THIRD WORLD, ESPECIALLY FOR LATIN AMERICA AND VENEZUELA AS A PRIME FORCE IN ITS ACHIEVEMENT. CHINA, AS A DEVELOPING SOCIALIST COUNTRY, HE SAID, WAS PART OF THE THIRD WORLD AND SHARED THE VICTORY.

6. GONZALO BARRIOS, PRESIDENT OF THE VENEZUELAN CONGRESS, REFLECTED THE GOV'S VIEW IN PROFESSING ADMIRATION FOR THE "ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL SUCCESSES" OF THE PRC WHICH DESERVE WORLD ADMIRATION "IRRESPECTIVE OF FORMS OF GOVERNMENT AND IDEOLOGIES."
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